Expenditure on the Temple-Entry Committee.

213. ✻MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when the Temple-Entry Committee submitted its report to the Government ;

(*b*) when appointing the Committee, what estimate the Government had made of its probable expenditure and

(*c*) the sum that has been actually spent on it?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*)

(*a*) 9th Medam 1109.

(*b*) Rs. 8,882.

(*c*) Rs. 10,001-20-12 till the end of Meenam 1109.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): I put the same question in the Karkatakam session of the Assembly. I was given an answer that the expenditure was Rs. 17,000. Now I am given a different answer.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The answer supplied then is not before me now. Evidently, there is a mistake somewhere.

Trivandrum Electric Supply.

214 ✻MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the voltage at which electric lights and electric fans are supplied in Trivandrum ;

(*b*) whether any variation occurs in this voltage ;

(*c*) if so, between what limits :

(*d*) whether the earth wires, support wires, etc., are being regularly tested for leakage ; and

(*e*) if so. at what intervals and by what means ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 230 A. C.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Plus or minus 5 per cent.

(*d*) They are tested periodically.

(*e*) At least twice a month and resistance tests are carried out by Drop of Potential method or by Bridge Megger.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : In answer to part (*b*), may I know the cause for this variation?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : I am not able to explain, Sir.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : I do not want an explanation. What is the cause of variation ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : In answer to part (*e*), may I know what is the mechanism used for testing the leakage ?

MR. T. C THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Two mechanisms are mentioned, Drop of Potential method or Bridge Megger.

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